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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Tomas GANDEMO for ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH IMPROVED CLOSING MECHANISM.

- ☒ Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 1 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
- ☒ Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: SCA Hygiene Products AB.

Also enclosed are:

- ☒ 2 sheet(s) of drawings;
- ☐ a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is ☐ hereby made to \_  
filed in \_ on \_;
- ☐ in the declaration;
- ☐ a certified copy of the priority document;
- ☐ a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;
- ☐ an Assignment document;
- ☒ an Information Disclosure Statement;
- ☒ a translation of the prior-filed provisional application and statement of accuracy;
- ☐ a patent application data sheet; and
- ☒ Other: Form PTO-1449; Cited References (4);  
copy of International Search Report dated 23 May 2003.
- ☒ An ☐ executed ☒ unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)  
☒ also is enclosed ☐ will follow.
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.

☒ The filing fee has been calculated as follows ☐ and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

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	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$770.00 (1001)
Total Claims	6	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =	.00
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$86.00 (1201) =	.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)					
Total Application Fee					770.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) if Assignment document is enclosed					
<b>TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE</b>					<b>770.00</b>

☐ This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.

☒ A check in the amount of \$ 770.00 is enclosed for the fee due.

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☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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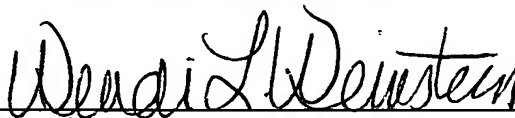
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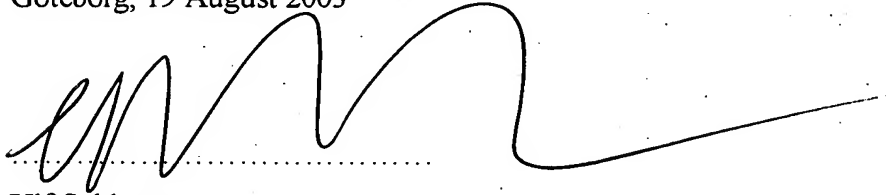
  
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# CERTIFICATE

I, Ulf Schlossman, Örnehufvudsgatan 11, 412 59 Göteborg, Sweden, hereby declare that I am familiar with both the Swedish and the English languages and, having revised both documents, I certify that the following is a true translation to the best of my knowledge and belief of US Provisional Patent Application No. 60/428,239.

Göteborg, 19 August 2003

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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